

Advance Plans Committee

Summary of Meeting

7:35 am, July 26, 2007

Attendance

Committee and MAPC Members: Elizabeth Bishop, Bud Hentzen, Ron Marnell, John McKay, Mitch Mitchell, Darrell Downing

MAPD staff: Christy Askew, Stephen Banks, Dave Barber, Scott Knebel, Dale Miller, John Schlegel, Samantha Skiles, Scott Wadle

Discussion Summary

1. The Advance Plans Committee approved the minutes of the July 19, 2007 Committee meeting.
2. The Committee determined that it had no further comment on the proposed Wichita 2006-20County Capital Improvement Program and the Sedgwick County Capital Improvement Program.
3. The Committee decided that a discussion of the scrap metal and recycling issue warrants a special meeting of the Committee, with input and recommendations from staff (Planning, OCI, Environmental Services). Staff will review the issue and report back with recommendations in about six weeks (date and time to be determined).
4. Staff presented an outline of the key factors upon which an update or redo of the Comprehensive Plan should be based upon. This outline reflects staff thoughts in consideration of previous feedback received from the Committee on this subject. The following points were discussed:
 - Creating a new plan rather than a tweaking of the existing plan is proposed. There was general agreement on this point, with support expressed for key factors #1, 6, 7, and 8. There was generally agreement that the plan needs to reflect development choices and flexibility.
 - The Wichita Visioneering plan reflects significant community input and should play a key role in shaping the Comprehensive Plan. The Visioneering benchmarks are important and should be reviewed.
 - Staff needs to review the Visioneering Plan and determine points of agreement and disagreement with the existing Comprehensive Plan.
 - The Visioneering Plan appears to have a strong focus on economic development. Should the Comprehensive Plan support this focus?
 - The planned and efficient expansion of municipal infrastructure needs to play a key element in directing future urban growth in Wichita. The Comprehensive Plan needs to properly address the planning and expansion of municipal infrastructure.
 - John Schlegel emphasized that a robust public participation process must be a key element of any Comprehensive Plan update or redo. Otherwise,

the city and county governing bodies would not be supportive of the results.

5. A meeting of the Advance Plans Committee and folks from the Visioneering Wichita initiative will be scheduled from 9:00-11:30 a.m., Monday, August 27th on the 10th Floor, City Hall, to discuss how the Comprehensive Plan can better reflect the direction in Visioneering Wichita. In preparation for this meeting, staff will review the Visioneering report and evaluate points of agreement and disagreement with the existing Comprehensive Plan.

Meeting adjourned at 8:42 a.m.